

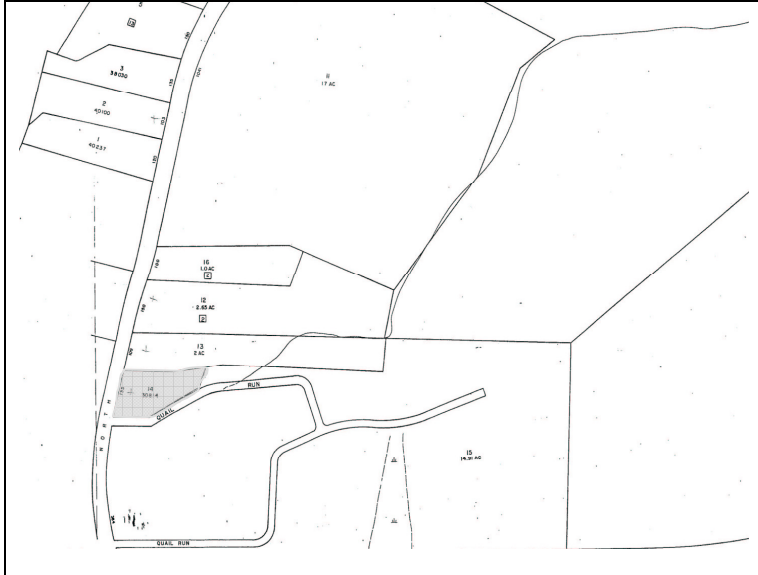
FORM B – BUILDING

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL COMMISSION
MASSACHUSETTS ARCHIVES BUILDING
220 MORRISSEY BOULEVARD
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS 02125

Photograph



Topographic or Assessor's Map



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Assessor's Number USGS Quad Area(s) Form Number

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Town: Tewksbury

Place: (*neighborhood or village*)
 Tewksbury Center

Address: 103 North Street

Historic Name: Harold J & Josephine Patten House

Uses: Present: Single Family Residential

 Original: Single Family Residential

Date of Construction: c1925

Source: Deed Research & Assessor Records

Style/Form: Dutch Colonial Revival

Architect/Builder:

Exterior Material:

Foundation: Concrete

Wall/Trim: Vinyl Siding

Roof: Asphalt Shingles

Outbuildings/Secondary Structures:

Major Alterations (with dates):

Siding (late 20th century)

Condition: Good

Moved: no | X | yes | | **Date** _____

Acreage: 0.71 acres

Setting: Set back from the street in a primarily residential area east of the village center.

INVENTORY FORM B CONTINUATION SHEET

TEWKSBURY

103 NORTH STREET

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___ Recommended for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

If checked, you must attach a completed National Register Criteria Statement form.

Use as much space as necessary to complete the following entries, allowing text to flow onto additional continuation sheets.

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Describe architectural features. Evaluate the characteristics of this building in terms of other buildings within the community.

The Dutch Colonial Revival building at **103 North Street** rests on a rectangular concrete foundation. A one story enclosed porch projects from the west side of the dwelling. The three by three bay dwelling has several character defining features including: the gambrel roof with the full width dormers, the accentuated front entrance with the arched hood supported by brackets, the paneled front door with the fanlight and sidelights, the symmetrically balanced façade, and the grouped windows on the front façade. The walls are clad in vinyl shingles. The gambrel roof form is sheathed in asphalt siding. Two chimneys, one an interior chimney and one an interior end chimney are covered in parging with a decorative shaped top. Fenestration includes pairs of 6/1 sash windows flanked by shutters, tri-partite windows composed of a central 6/1 sash window flanked by 4/1 sash windows, pairs of multi-pane casements, square 4-pane sash windows in the attic, and 6/1 sash windows flanked by shutters.

HISTORICAL NARRATIVE

Discuss the history of the building. Explain its associations with local (or state) history. Include uses of the building, and the role(s) the owners/occupants played within the community.

The house at 103 North Street was built c1925 for Harold J and Josephine Patten on family land.

Harold Joseph Patten (1884-1971) was the son of Marcellus and Susan Genevieve [Allen] Patten. In 1886 Marcellus Patten purchased a large parcel of land in Tewksbury, north of the Boston and Maine RR from Mary Spaulding and in 1888 moved his floral businesses and greenhouses from Lowell to Tewksbury. The Patten & Company Greenhouses were famous for their carnation cultivation. The business was first established in 1870 in Lowell. The Patten's also maintained a retail store in Lowell for the sale of their flowers. Harold's older brother Wilbur Allen was also involved in the family's business. Wilbur and his family lived at 127 North Street (TEW.XXX).

Harold married his wife Josephine in 1915 and they lived with his parents at 113 North Street (TEW.XXX). In 1921 Marcellus Patten sold to Harold and Josephine his large lot with the family's house at 113 North Street and the greenhouses at 99 North Street (TEW.21). C1925 Harold and his wife built a new home to the west, and sold 113 North Street in 1925 to Mark McCann. Marcellus' widow, Susan, lived in the new house with her son and daughter-in-law, their daughter, two of Josephine's sisters, and a servant.

Harold J. Patten and his son, Richard, continued the family business, growing carnations in extensive greenhouses to the south of the house. Patten was also an author on local history, publishing *Ask Now Of The Days That Are Past*.

In 1949 the house at 103 North Street was sold to John Mahoney, a dentist in Lowell. Additional owners include: John and Mildred Mahoney (1949-1974); John and Sonja Cuneo (1974-1989); Glen and Donna Beasley (1989-2000); and Rand and Michele Hoven (2000-2009).

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List of Residents by Streets, Ages 17 years and over, In the Town of Tewksbury Mass. As prepared by the Board of Registrars (various years 1965-)

Valuations of the Real and Personal Estate of the Town of Tewksbury.

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North Middlesex County Registry of Deeds.



From Patton's *Ask Now of the Days that are Past*. c 1964.